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Photo/SSgt. Rosaire Bushey

Navy Lt. Jeffrey Casler, 65th Air Base Wing legal office, finishes paying his utility bill downtown in Praia. A new change to the off-base uniform rules allows military members to pay utility bills in uniform. Members shopping, eating and sightseeing, however, still must wear civilian clothes.

## Restrictions eased on uniform wear off-base

**SSgt. Rosaire Bushey**  
Editor

The Commanders of the Headquarters, Azores Air Zone and U.S. Forces Azores, recently agreed to ease the restriction of the wear of the uniform for U.S. servicemembers off base.

Until this week, military members could only wear their uniforms off base if they were in transit to or from work or for official business.

The changes allow limited personal stops such as to pay utility or insurance bills. Shopping, dining or sightseeing while in uniform are still prohibited.

"This change has come about through the patience and hard work of many people both in U.S. Forces Azores and within the Headquarters, Azores Air Zone," said U.S. FORAZ Commander, Col. Rod Gibson.

The new changes should make it easier for people, especially those who live off base, to make their payments in a timely manner without have to change clothes for the quick trip into town.

Gibson said. "We need to acknowledge that and make sure we stay within the bounds of this agreement. Shopping, dining and sightseeing are still things that need to be done in civilian clothes. It's everyone's responsibility to stay within the guidelines."

## 1998 telethon "For the Kids' Sake"



### Saturday

- Organization for Latin Americans car wash and bake sale

- 65th Transportation Squadron pool tournament from 1 to 4 p.m.

### Monday through Wednesday

65th Air Base Wing scavenger hunt - call Ext. 22369 for information.

### April 17

65th CS walk-a-thon from 1 to 4 p.m.

### April 18

- 65th SFS flea market
- 65th Mission Support Squadron family bingo begins at 6 p.m.

### April 20

65th SFS Firearm Training System tournament - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for adults, 3 to 5 p.m. for kids and from 5 to 8 p.m. open.

### April 21

65th SFS FATS tournament - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for adults, 3 to 5 p.m. for kids and from 5 to 8 p.m. open.

### April 22

65th SFS FATS tournament - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for adults, 3 to 5 p.m. for kids and from 5 to 8 p.m. open.

### April 23

629th AMSS bench press-a-thon

**TEAM LAJES — PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST --  
BOTH OUR VISITORS, AND OURSELVES**



# Enlisted members gear up for Heritage Ball

The annual Tri-Service Enlisted Heritage Ball will be held April 25 at the club. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. and the cost is \$6 for E-1 through E-4; \$9 for E-5 and E-6; and \$12 for E-7 and above. The prices for these tickets has been largely offset through fund-raisers held throughout the year.

Non-club members may participate but will be charged an additional \$3.

The dress is formal service or mess dress. Entertainment will be provided by the 6th Fleet Band and the guest speaker will be Command Sergeant Major Robert D. Steele.

The meal is a choice of chicken cordon bleu or roast beef, rice pilaf, green bean almondine, salad, bread, cake and beverages. A vegetarian meal can be made available with one week advance notice.

Tickets can be purchased from the following people:

**65th Comptroller Flight** - MSgt. Tim

Graeter, Ext. 22402; **65th Transportation Squadron** - TSgt. Vernon Griggs, Ext. 26705; **65th Mission Support Squadron** - TSgt. Tom Young, Ext. 24201; **65th Operations Support Squadron** - SMSgt. Clement McGrath, Ext. 23163; **65th Communications Squadron** - MSgt. Dale Lamell, Ext. 25154; **629th Air Mobility Support Squadron** - MSgt. Ricky Willson, Ext. 26530; **65th Civil Engineer Squadron** - TSgt. Keith Yoakum, Ext. 26194; **65th Medical Group** - TSgt. Barbera Steffen, Ext. 25248; **65th Security Forces Squadron** - MSgt. Thomas Chase, Ext. 26215; **65th Contracting Squadron** - SMSgt. Nate Kilgore, Ext. 21407; **65th Supply Squadron** - MSgt. Tom Harmon, Ext. 26455; **Det. 6 AFN** - MSgt. Ted Medina, Ext. 23497; **65th Services Division** - SMSgt. Romero Allamani, Ext. 21319; **65th Air Base Wing** - TSgt. Debbie Ramirez, Ext. 23546.

## police blotter

The police blotters are true incidents affecting members of the Lajes community for the period March 31 to April 4.

### LARCENY

March 31 — Theft of government property/on-base/secured. Two family members were detained for shoplifting. Security forces responded and assumed control of the situation.

April 1 — Theft of personal property/off-base/secured. Person(s) unknown broke into a member's vehicle and stole several pieces of personal property.

April 2 — Theft of personal property/off-base/secured. Person(s) unknown broke into a member's vehicle and stole various pieces of personal property.

April 3 — Theft of government, personal property/on-base/secured. Person(s) unknown stole a car battery from a GOV.

### VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

April 1 — Minor accident/off-base/no injuries. A member driving a GOV, backed the vehicle into a ditch. Damage consisted of three scratches on the left side of the bed.

April 2 — Mishap/on-base/no injuries. A member noticed person(s) unknown open a door into his vehicle. Damage consisted of paint transfer on the driver's side door.

<u>Incident</u>	<u>March 31 - April 6</u>	<u>98 CYTD</u>	<u>97 Total</u>
Assaults	0	2	14
Domestic assaults	0	1	4
Burglary	0	3	50
B&E/sheds	0	6	32
B&E/Govt. Bldgs.	0	16	38
Larceny	4	34	148
Vehicle accidents	2	27	97
DUI	0	0	5
Vandalism	0	12	86

## Lajes Team Player



Guido Melo

Unit - 65th Communications Squadron, Visual Information

DEROS - N/A

How do you contribute to the Team

Lajes mission - By providing photographic support to wing and base agencies for a variety of events and mission related jobs.

Like most about Lajes - Having the opportunity to take aerial photographs of the island.

## Sorties

March 30 - April 5

ACC - 27  
DOD - 5

AMC - 42  
ALLIED - 23

## DUI

Last DUI - Sept. 15  
Days without a  
DUI - 207

*The Next Strong Cajun is due  
April 13*



Photo/Guido Melo

## Ravens away

Three EF-111 Ravens from Cannon AFB, N.M. sit on the Lajes flightline Monday. The aircraft were part of a flight of six heading for home where they will be sent to what is commonly referred to as the bone yard. The official retirement will take place of the period of May 1 through 3 at Cannon. For more information on the ceremony, or ticket availability, check out the Cannon home page at: [www.cannon.af.mil](http://www.cannon.af.mil). A link is available to the EF-111 retirement site.

# Services program rewards family time

A program co-sponsored by Air Force Services and AT & T called Be a Hero, began April 1 and will continue through the end of July.

The promotion, which encourages families to spend time together, uses a card which can be picked up at a designated services facility, to reward participants.

Each time an adult family member and a child or children use a participating services facility, the card is stamped. After five stamps are issued, the card can be filled out and dropped off in a designated location where it will be collected and entered into a drawing. Lajes families will have a chance to win eight reduced cost four-night, three-day vacations as well as a \$200 AT&T long distance voucher.

The drawings are open to all U.S. active-duty, Reservists and retirees, and U.S. appropriated and nonappropriated fund civilians and their immediate family.

The following is a list of facilities that are participating and the programs which will earn hero stamps:

- Bowling center
  - Bowl with your child during open bowling
  - Attend a bowling birthday party with your child
- Child development program
  - Volunteer for one hour in your child's room when your child attends (you may also

arrange a tour of your workplace, lead a special activity or help with the room)

- Attend the parent snack day event with your child
- Attend the special monthly parent event with your child
- Attend the weekly story hour at the library with your child
  - Top of the Rock Club
    - Attend and eat dinner with your child at family dinner night (Tuesdays and Wednesdays)
  - Community center
    - Attend a DOD/USO show or event with your child
    - Participate in a parent/child tournament
    - Participate in a CC class with your child
    - Attend a CC trip or tour with your child
  - Fitness center
    - Play intramural sports with your child 14 years or older on your team
    - Participate in parent/child holiday events sponsored by the fitness center
  - Library
    - Register your family for library cards
    - Volunteer with your child for two hours at the library
    - Register with your child for the read-a-thon. Each \$10 donation receives an extra stamp
  - Oceanview Snack Bar
    - Attend the half price children's meal night

and eat dinner with your child (normally held on Thursdays)

- Outdoor recreation
  - Attend a trip or class with your child.
- (There are age restrictions in some programs)
  - Family tent rental
  - Skating rink
    - Skate with your child
  - Skills development center
    - Attend parent/child ceramic classes with your child
  - Swimming pool
    - Family pool pass
  - Teen programs
    - Volunteer to chaperone for two hours at any teen center program event when your teen attends
  - Youth programs
    - Volunteer to chaperone for two hours at a Friday night social when your child attends
    - Volunteer for one hour in the school-age program when your child attends. (You may arrange a tour of the workplace, lead an activity or help in the program)
    - Attend the monthly family dinner night with your child
      - Coach or officiate for your child's sports team (you may earn one stamp for each game in which you and your child participate
      - Attend a mom/tot class with your child

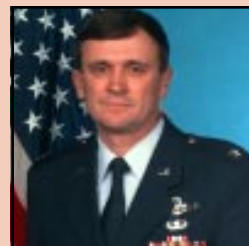




## action line 24240

The Action Line is your tool to help Team Lajes. However, before you call, try to resolve your issue through the appropriate agency. You may remain anonymous, but for a direct answer, please leave your name and phone number. Additionally, answers to anonymous inquiries will normally not be published. Use the following numbers to help solve problems through base agencies.

Family support	23122	Security police	26114
AAFES manager	23209	Telephone	
Commissary	26124	service desk	119
Hospital	23615	Supply squadron	23832
Civil engineer	26113	TMO inbound	25168
Housing	26251	TMO outbound	24213
Chaplain	23411	Personnel flight	23612
CE customer		Services	21322/
service desk	23335	beeper 169-1174	



Col. Rod Gibson, 65th Air Base Wing Commander.

# Dads, don't let moms have all the fun

**Rebekah Downs**

*Family advocacy treatment manager*

Have you ever felt left out? Have you ever thought "why does the mom get to be the one who always takes care of the children?"

Perhaps dads today are different from dads 10 years ago, but then again, maybe not that much different.

Fathers in the 1990s still hear the same messages:

- Provide for your family
- Protect your family

- Be strong for your family

Sound familiar? All too often dads miss out on the excitement and joy that having children is supposed to bring. They get focused on the material needs for their family and soon the rewards of all their hard work is lost or misplaced. There doesn't seem to be enough time or energy to read that book or play that game before bedtime. Fathers don't get



enough of those special hugs that only a child can give.

We've all heard a lot about how women can manage to have it all, career and family. Guess what? Dads can have it all too. It's all about priority and balance. Think about what your typical day is like. What are the things that get your time and attention? It's those things that are most important to you, right? Or it's the things that are important to others who have some power over your life.

Try this tip for becoming a more focused father and see how it works for you:

- Make a list of all the things that demand your time and attention in a given day.
- Prioritize your list from the most important to the least important
- Choose one thing from your list that can be taken off
- Use that time to do something with your children. Try something simple to start with like reading a book, playing a game, asking them about their day at school and then, really listen to their answer.

Now, ask yourself how did that feel? What did I like about doing that? How did my child like spending time with me?

The answers might just surprise you.

## Team Lajes...

### Quarterly Awards

**65th Air Base Wing (staff agencies)**

**NCO** - TSgt. Ernest Jackson  
**Sr. NCO** - MSgt. Timothy

Graeter

**Civilian** - Kathy Peters  
**65th Civil Engineer Squadron**

**Company Grade Officer** - 1st. Lt Paul Dysle

**Sr. NCO** - MSgt. Charles Clampit

**NCO** - TSgt. Jeff Repass  
**Airman** - SrA. Anthony Gutka  
**U.S. Civilian, Category 2** - Ron Caudle

**Local Civilian, Category 1** -

Delio D. Gomes

**Local Civilian, Category 2** -

Angelo Mendes

### Awards

Congratulations to the 65th Air Base Wing **Accounting and Finance Office** for being selected as runner-up for the Air Force-level AFO of the Year.

Also, **1st Lt. Galen McKenzie** was the Air Force runner-up for Accounting and Finance Officer of the Year; and **TSgt. Tom Schaefer** was the runner-up for the Air Force Accounting and Fi-

nance Airman of the Year.

### Birth

March 22 - a son, **Dylon Caleb Albert** to SrA. Joshua and Shawna Wallace. Airman Wallace is with the 65th Communications Squadron. The baby was born at the Angra Hospital.

### Promotions

The following 65th Communications Squadron members were promoted to the indicated rank in March: **TSgt. Gregory Box** and **A1C Timothy Schwartz**.

## CROSSROADS

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## ***65th Transportation Squadron***

# **Highly motivated, successful**

**Maj. John Hall Jr.**  
*65th Transportation  
Squadron Commander*

The 65th Transportation Squadron is a highly motivated and successful organization.

Fortunately for me it was that way 10 months ago when I took command. You could easily see the reasons for the squadron's success is because of the professionalism of its people.

During the past 10 months I have been proud to lead the squadron to a number of successes. Although, it has not been my leadership that has made this proud squadron great.

Deeply rooted in this unit's success is the leadership of civilian, noncommissioned officers, airmen, and officers alike. I would like for you to meet the men and women who have made this a successful squadron and me a proud leader.

The Traffic Management Flight moves everyone to and from this base. In fact, they are the ones who negotiate on behalf of the wing to ensure adequate passenger airlift is available for Lajes personnel. Headed up by strong leadership in Scott Tiedt and MSgt. Eric Mercer and a super supporting cast, this flight is ready for all challenges. Numerous accomplishments have put TMO at the top of the class in Air Combat Command as indicated by them being recognized as the Best Traffic Management Flight in ACC for 1997. They serve more than 6,000 customers annually while maintaining an outstanding customer satisfaction rate of 99 percent. Amn. David Coulter, SSgt. Roderick Fernandez (ACC Transportation Airmen and Military Traffic Management Command award winners for 1997) and Fatima Drumonde,



**Maj. John Hall Jr.**

who is recognized as the consummate professional, are just three of a super team who take care of your day-to-day PCS and travel needs.

TSgt. Joseph Lampus, Ana Monteiro and Joao Brito are located in the freight section and are part of a special group of individuals who receive, prepare, and move thousands of pounds of cargo every year. There are many more dedicated standouts who ensure TMO is ready to provide the best service possible to all Lajes personnel.

Leading the vehicle operation flight is 2nd Lt. Justin Lavadour, who is on his way to becoming a fine officer and new arrival MSgt. Jose Delgado, who is sharp and ready for challenges. They have an impressive supporting cast of 38 people. Frank Carvalho, Louis Meneses, TSgt. Kaenchan Peterson, SSgts. Doug Albright and Thomas Heiry help keep the Lajes mission on wheels. This high-energy, do more with less group has provided recognizable support throughout the entire base. They have, with few delays, moved base and transiting personnel throughout the year. And they do this better than most as indicated by their ACC

best "taxi response time" of 4.5 minutes while servicing over 2,600 taxi runs and moving thousands of aircrew members.

This cadre of razor sharp individuals has been up-front representing the base during numerous distinguished visitor visits. According to feedback, they have represented well. From providing school bus service to helping units with vehicle service, this crew has one purpose in mind - helping the customer.

Putting the high voltage charge into transportation is the spark-plugs from vehicle maintenance. Lead by SMSgt. Donnie Harris and new comer MSgt. Lionel McFarlane a solid, bright addition to the flight. These pros, along with the best group of technicians you'll find anywhere, maintain a top-notch fleet of vehicles under some of the worst conditions of any Air Force base. People like TSgt. Tony Aubrey a tremendously talented NCO. Aubrey is the squadron quality specialist who has had numerous projects bench-marked. As supervisor of maintenance control he is 100 percent customer oriented.

TSgts. Ron Holland and Vernon Griggs are high energy, high tech and customer focused. Believe it or not this base enjoys some of the most caring people I've had the privilege to work with. Eduardo Arruda, Diana Valadao, Fatima Homen and Fernando Martins lead a sound group of trained, dedicated professionals. TSgt. Cory Edmiston oversees geographically separated sections like 463L, fire truck and refueling; and Paulo Lourenco heads our port maintenance section. They do an outstanding job of keeping the wing critical vehicle fleet ready to support our

transiting airlift mission. This group have developed more bench-mark programs than any flight I've seen. If you knew this flight you could understand why they were selected best in Air Force in 1996.

While the core functions of transportation are accomplished by the above groups, that is not all there is to this squadron. The readiness and resources flight does all those little things such as budget, deployment preparation, training, awards and more. SSgt. Marco Degois is energetic and bright. He provides well developed and extremely effective programs. He is guiding us through some challenging budgetary times. And our recognition program is second to none.

The command section is anchored by Ana Andrade, wing information manager of the year; SrA. Tina Huber; and newly arrived SSgt. Audrey Nolte. This trio of specialist has shown great flexibility by handling extreme workloads when the squadron and group was short of administrative specialist.

Did you know we have a LAN manager assigned to the squadron? We are the only transportation unit in ACC with that distinction. SSgt. Steve Palmer keep us connected to our customers and to the world. Great job transporters.

No doubt, I am proud to be the leader of this fine squadron. The Air Force core values of Integrity First, Service Before Self and Excellence in All We Do are alive and well in transportation.

You, as the people we support, should be proud. The next time you meet a member of the 65th Transportation Squadron, take a moment to meet and get to know them.





# HONOR GUARD

**MEMBERS WORK TO PROMOTE  
ESPIRIT DE CORPS, TEAMWORK**





Photos/SrA. Sharon Hooper

Opposite page: SSgt. Tyrone Clarence (who has since PCS'd), the former NCOIC of the honor guard, also held the position of lead guard in the unit. Left SSgt. Marlon Mathuveeran, TSgt. Larry Veltman and SSgt. Eric Butt enter a ceremony to post the colors. Below members of the honor guard perform a sword detail for an event. During their 60 annual performances the guard will perform flag postings, drill, gun and sword details and other functions at events and ceremonies.



## Wendy Swan

Volunteer staff writer

The color guard is lined up as they march to the podium. They come to attention and then move into position - the U.S. flag bearer to the right. The national anthem is played and at the first note, the Air Force flag is dipped and two rifle bearers present arms.

At the end of the anthem the members order arms and rifle and flag bearers crisply turn and slowly march out of the room. This completes the role of the color guard which is a duty of the base honor guard.

"Not only do we benefit from the honor guard's professionalism in making our ceremonies great events; but the individuals who are members benefit from their interactions with others and their experiences with the team," said Col. Rod Gibson, 65th Air Base Wing Commander.

The honor guard symbolizes the esprit de corps and teamwork of the Air Force. Therefore, those who participate are indeed representing the values of the Air Force that so many airmen hold dear to their hearts. "I feel I'm representing the professionalism of the Air Force and I have a strong sense of pride honoring those who serve," said SrA. Liam Clancy,

an honor guard member.

The guard's role is to perform duties such as change of command ceremonies, promotions, retirements and weddings. At the official ceremonies the posting of the color is performed. "As an honor guard member we're given the responsibility to display, carry and protect the flag in all our duties," said TSgt. Angela Lipscomb, NCOIC of the honor guard. "We are the ones keeping the spirit of America alive," she said.

The posting of the colors is done at many of the 60 details assigned to the honor guard each year and each of those details is counted as a certain number of points for honor guard members.

When an honor guard member performs a detail he or she is awarded with 10 points. Attending a practice session gets a member two points; being named Honor Guard member of the Month gets 10 points; and the Honor Guard member of the Quarter is awarded 20 points. When 200 points are accumulated, the member is eligible to receive an Air Force Achievement Medal.

"In spite of the base's size, our honor guard is one of the sharpest, finest outfits I've seen in all my years of service," Gibson said.

There are 21 volunteer members and they

are lead by 1st Lt. Galen McKenzie, officer in charge. The guard practices every Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. at the community center and to join, a person must get permission from their first sergeant.

All the members who have joined share the common goal of teamwork and esprit de corps. "I believe participating on the honor guard is a way of demonstrating pride in the military. Taking time to wear the uniform correctly and performing to the best of our ability reinforces the positive image each one of the members holds dear," said SSgt. Jermain Sprague.

"The honor guard is an outstanding way to show your commitment to not only the Air Force, but to the United States. You're part of a team centered on creating esprit de corps and teamwork," said SSgt. Eric Butt.

"I get a lot of satisfaction from giving back a little to the community," said SrA. Joseph Forro.

Averaging more than one detail each week of the year, the honor guard doesn't just give back, it instills within each member who witnesses their demonstrations the pride that comes from wearing Air Force blue.

The next appearance of the honor guard will be at the Enlisted Heritage Ball April





# Cohen says future security requires more base closures

**WASHINGTON (AFNS)** — Stressing that savings from more rounds of base closures are needed to address America's future national security requirements, Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen on April 2 hailed net savings of \$25 billion and progress on job creation achieved during the first four rounds.

"The Report of the Department of Defense on Base Realignment and Closure," which Cohen released April 2, details the costs and significant savings from the previous four rounds of base realignments and closures and notes the tradeoffs the department faces without more BRAC rounds.

"Our need is clear and compelling," Cohen said. "The Department of Defense has more base capacity than is required to meet the needs of our fighting forces. Eliminating this excess capacity will save the department billions of dollars. These resources will help ensure that the department can sustain our high state of readiness and provide our troops with modern weapons."

Admiral J.L. Johnson, chief of naval operations, echoed the secretary's call for more BRAC rounds. Johnson, speaking as acting chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said he and fellow chiefs "stood firmly behind the secretary in this effort to achieve a more efficient, cost-effective and combat-ready military."

"This isn't about budgeting," Johnson declared. "It's about protecting American interests, American citizens and American soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines. We owe them the best defense investment we can achieve."

The report states that BRAC savings are critical to meeting DOD's Quadrennial Defense Review strategy. According to the report, the first four BRAC rounds will have saved \$25 billion by 2003. There will be \$5.6 billion dollars in recurring savings each year thereafter.

Two more rounds of BRAC in the next decade, according to the report, will save the department more than \$20 billion between 2008 to 2015 and \$3 billion every year thereafter. Cohen stressed that every year DOD delays the start of a new BRAC process, the department delays the realization of billions of

dollars in needed savings.

The report argues that authorization of more base closures is critical. This year, the department will program its budget through 2005 and planning through 2015.

Discussing the value of \$20 billion to each of the military departments through 2015, Cohen noted this dividend is equal to either 450 Joint Strike Fighters for the Air Force; or two next-generation aircraft carriers and 12 of the Navy's planned surface combatant ships; or all 650 Comanche helicopters and all 800 Crusader advanced artillery systems planned for the Army; or all 1,000 Advanced Amphibious Assault Vehicles and 250 (or almost all) Joint Strike Fighters planned for the Marine Corps.

Cohen also emphasized that the BRAC process is a proven, effective and fair tool for reducing excess capacity and making the difficult decisions that affect the department, Congress and local communities. Since the administration issued its 1993 Five-Part Plan to help local communities with their redevelopment efforts, the department has seen dramatic results across the nation in base reuse.

Mayor Ned Randolph of Alexandria, La., whose community benefited from the creation of 1,400 new jobs after England Air Force Base closed in 1992 - doubling the number of civilian jobs there before closure - joined Cohen and Johnson to speak about his community's successful re-development efforts.

"Former military bases have become engines of local economic development," Cohen said, hailing the achievements in Alexandria and similar accomplishments across the nation.

"With nearly three-fourths of our previous base closures and realignments complete, 45,000 new jobs have already been created," Cohen said. "At bases closed at least two years, more than 75 percent of civilian jobs have been replaced. These numbers are growing steadily. We are committed to helping communities create jobs and to redeveloping former DOD assets into stronger, more diverse local economies."

## *Air Force* Worldview

Air Force announces chronic critical skills list

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFNS)** — The Air Force has announced its latest chronic critical shortage skills list, giving enlisted members in selected fields a promotion advantage.

The CCS skills list is designed to help reduce staff, technical and master sergeant shortages in certain sortie-generating and readiness-related skills by giving airmen eligible for promotion to those grades a promotion advantage.

Specifically, people in CCS skills are promoted at 1.2 times the Air Force average. For example, if the Air Force average for a particular promotion cycle is 15 percent, then CCS skills are promoted at an 18 percent rate.

An Air Force specialty code is placed on the CCS skills list when the skill's manning is below -- and projected to remain below -- 90 percent. Once placed on the list, an AFSC remains on the list for a minimum of two years or until the noncommissioned officer manning for the specialty is above 95 percent.

The current CCS list will be in effect for the 98E5, 98E6, and 98E7 promotion cycles and consists of the following skills:

- 1A3X1 -- Airborne communications systems
- 1A4X1X -- Airborne battle management systems/weapons directors (including all suffixes)
- 1C2X1 -- Combat control
- 1C3X1 -- Command and control
- 1C6X1 -- Space systems operations
- 1N0X1 -- Intelligence applications
- 1N1X1 -- Imagery analysis
- 1N3XXX -- Cryptologic linguists (including all suffixes)
- 1N4X1 -- Signals intelligence analysis
- 1N5X1 -- Electronic signals intelligence exploitation
- 1T2X1 -- Pararescue
- 2A5X2 -- Helicopter maintenance
- 2A5X3B -- Bomber avionics systems (instrument and flight control computer)
- 2A5X3C -- Bomber avionic systems (communications, navigator and defense avionic)
- 2M0X3 -- Missile and space facilities

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## Sports briefs

### Aquaknights notes

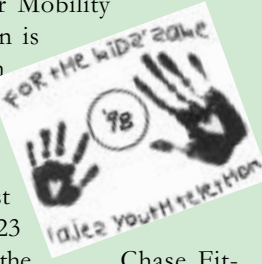
- The Aquaknights of Atlantis will sponsor an Earth Day clean-up dive at Sao Mateus April 18. All proceeds will benefit the youth telethon. For more information, call Ext. 23294 or 23327.

- The Aquaknights are sponsoring a camping trip April 24 to 26. For more information, call Ext. 23294 or 23327.

- There will be a general membership meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m.

### Bench press competition

The 629th Air Mobility Support Squadron is sponsoring a bench press competition in support of the Lajes Youth Telethon. The contest will be held April 23 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Chase Fitness Center. The entry fee is \$10 or a minimum of \$10 in pledges. There are male and female categories. For more information or to sign up, call TSgt. Kevin Skates at Ext. 23669.



### Cycling club takes third

The base team took third place, by only 7 seconds during their first race April 4. Base finishers were: Second, Roger Aguiar; 8th, Dean Gracey; 9th, Craig Reuter; 11th, Grant Ulmer; and 12th, Richard Rue.

The next road race is scheduled for Sunday the 19th, call Dean Gracey at Ext. 28755 for more information. Support vehicles are needed to help the team during the races.

There will be a mountain bike race Saturday at the Angra soccer stadium at 5 p.m. Call Ext. 28755 for more information.

### Tee for two golf

Two Northwest Air round-trip stateside airline tickets are available to win during this year's Tee For Two Golf Tournament April 30. The tickets will be given away through a drawing, so golfing skill doesn't apply. The tourney will be a two person (male/female) best shot format starting at noon. Find a partner of the opposite sex and call Tom Young at Ext. 24201 to register.



## AMSS wins softball tournament

The 65th Air Mobility Support Squadron beat the Communications Squadron 26-11 to win the youth telethon softball tournament.

Jeff Presson, AMSS was named tournament MVP and COMM's Gabe Canter beat out AMSS' Scott Collins to win the home run derby. The best arm competition was won by Lee Johnson.

A Chiefs vs. Eagles game will be held May 2 at 2 p.m. at Oceanview Field.





## TRADE WINDS

### Saturday

Lunch: Hungarian goulash, roast turkey, pasta fagioli

Dinner: Creole spaghetti, spinach lasagne, yankee pot roast

### Sunday

Lunch: Hamburger parmesan, grilled ham slice, baked and fried chicken

Dinner: Grilled bratwurst, roast fresh ham, turkey spinach delight

### Monday

Lunch: Peixe assado, meatloaf, curried chicken with brown rice

Dinner: Turkey curry, jaegerschnitzel, healthy heart chili mac

### Tuesday

Lunch: Spaghetti, chicken alcatra, gingered pepper steak

Dinner: Sukiyaki, szechwan chicken, manicotti

### Wednesday

Lunch: Oriental steak, salsicha a espanol, hot and spicy chicken

Dinner: Barbecue beef cubes, oven fried fish, brocolli and turkey casserole

### Thursday

Lunch: Pimentoes rocheados, roast fresh ham, spaghetti with tomato sauce

Dinner: Salisbury steak, roast turkey, herbed baked spinach

### April 17

Lunch: Yakisoba, rojos, baked and fried chicken

Dinner: Swedish meatballs, baked garlic fish, vegetable stuffed peppers

*(Note: Menu subject to change without notice.*

*Daily hotline menu:*

*Ext. 24248.)*

Call Ext. 22369

## CLASSIFIEDS

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### •• VEHICLES ••

• 1997 Gilera Typhoon Scooter 49cc, excellent condition comes with two helmets, \$1,500. Call Ext. 23840 28781.

• 1987 Subaru hatchback, 67,000 miles, 5-speed, 4-wheel drive, runs well, body in good condition, inspection good until May 1999, available April 17, make an offer. Call Ext. 28523.

• 1994 Plymouth Colt, 35,000 miles, runs great, 4-door, automatic, AC, \$9,500 OBO. 1992 Yamaha Seca II motorcycle, \$2,000 OBO. Must sell due to PCS. Call Ext. 28774.

### •• FREE PETS ••

• **FREE** to good home, 1 1/2 year old male mix breed dog. House trained, has all current shots. Has been neutered and is good with kids. Call Ext. 27985.

• **FREE** to a good home, 4 month old puppy. His shoots are up to date and he is neutered. Also he is potty trained and great with kids. If interested, call Ext. 28244.

• **FREE** six month old female puppy. Spayed, all shots are current. A sweet dog but my daughter is allergic. Will include leash and toys. Call Ext. 28338.

### •• MISCELLANEOUS ••

• Graco double stroller, good condition, \$40 OBO; Little Tikes picnic table, nearly new, \$30 OBO; wooden toddler bed rail, \$5. Call Ext. 28955.

• Bamey comforter set for twin bed - includes the following: two sets of curtains, comforter, ruffle, sham, lamp and a roll of matching wallpaper border. Items are nearly new, asking \$95. Call Ext. 23381 or 52726 after 6:30 p.m.

### •• COTTAGES ••

• Cottage C-77, 2 bath, 2 bedroom and loft. New flash heater, electrical, and plumbing. Very roomy, huge built-in entertainment center, private parking, security lighting, low crime area, available in June, \$12,000 OBO. Call Ext. 28277.

• Cottage - H-157. Has 1,600 square feet, 4-bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, sunroom/playroom, separate utility room, detached garage, walk in closet, lots of storage, huge windows in living room and dining room overlooking

fabulous view, large walled in yard, fireplace, ceiling fans, new floors and bathrooms. Includes carpets, some furniture, 3 dehumidifiers. \$20,000. Will owner finance. Call Bernie or Karen Ray at Ext. 27923 or 26741.

• Cottage, H-116 Santa Rita Hill, 3 bedroom, kitchen, family room, 1 bath, ceiling fans, storage shed, window shutters, brick fence-in yard. Asking \$5,000. Call Al Southerland at Ext. 26156 or 28113.

• Cottage H-207. Single unit, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, large stone fireplace, new windows, refurbished walls, security lighting, new plumbing and electrical. Asking \$12,000 OBO. Call John Hamilton at Ext. 28402.

• Cottage H-156 Santa Rita. Cozy family home, 4 bedroom, 1 bath, large kitchen and master bedroom, dining/living rooms with fireplace, 1500 square feet. Many renovations done already. Cemented basketball court, fenced-in yard. Includes two dehumidifiers, refrigerator and ceiling fan. Must see. Asking \$18,500. Call Ext. 26560 or 28911.

• Cottage H-119. Two or 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, living room, dining room, large utility room, fenced yard, drive way, ceiling fans, security lights, carpeting, new flash heater, dehumidifier and other indoor/outdoor extras, \$9,000. Call Ext. 28013.

• Cottage H-118, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, single unit with large fenced yard. Includes carpet throughout, fireplace, utility room, ceiling fans, space heater and dehumidifier. Will leave lawn mower, garden tools, grill and yard furniture. New flash heater, secure, not broken into in 3 years. Available May 15, \$6,000. Call Andy or Linda Kraft at Ext. 28240 or 23554.

• Cottage H-145B, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. New paneling, carpet and tile. Spacious kitchen with lots of cupboard space. Vaulted ceilings and ceiling fans throughout. Large, walled-in backyard. Picnic table, dehumidifier and heaters included. Available in June, \$11,000. Call Ext. 28311 or 21391.

### •• FOUND ••

• Found a wrist watch in the fitness center Tuesday. To claim, call Ext. 28450.





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### UMD advisor

The University of Maryland academic advisor will be on the island April 22 through 24 to evaluate students. People interested in having their credits evaluated should call Ext. 24187 to schedule an appointment. The deadline for scheduling appointments is April 13.

### Dental services disrupted

Family dental care during May and June will be limited due to permanent change of station moves and summer replacements. For more information, call Ext. 23139.

### Grade pick up

Lajes Elementary and High Schools will be closed for a conference day April 16. High school teachers will be assembled in the school gym from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 12:30 to 2 p.m. to meet with parents. Parents are invited to meet with teachers and receive their children's grades. Conferences with teachers can also be scheduled at that time. For more information, call Ext. 21380.

### Lip sync contest

The 65th Supply Squadron's youth telethon lip sync contest will be held



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#### Tip of the Week

*Courtesy - Lajes First Sergeant's Council*

Last week I mentioned the rank on the new cardigan sweaters. Don't forget the rules of wear either. When outdoors it needs to be buttoned completely, indoors it can be worn buttoned or unbuttoned.

Stay safe, stay happy, and most of all stay in standards. Remember, you represent us all.

#### Protestant schedule

Saturday — 6:18 p.m. -

Lutheran

Sunday — 9 a.m.

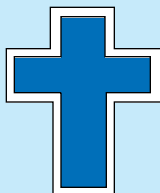
Evangelical service

Noon Gospel service

#### Catholic schedule

Saturday — 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday — 10:30 a.m. Mass



#### Thought for the Week

*"And all things, whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive."*

Matthew 21:22

May 1 at 6 p.m. in the community center. In addition to live acts, refreshments and food will be offered during the show. For more information, or to sign up for the event, call Ext. 23832.

### CAD pentathlon

People interested in helping with CAD '98 pentathlon events or participating in the events should call Capt. Robert Roane at Ext. 24273.

Volunteers needed include unit representatives, judges and scorekeepers. Events for this year's pentathlon are: Two mile stretcher race; 400 yard firefighter's relay; javelin throw; 4-person team push ups; and the tug of war. The events will be held the week leading up to CAD and culminating with the tug of war May 16.

### Earth Day run

The 65th Civil Engineer Squadron is sponsoring an Earth Day Fun Run/Walk April 18 beginning at 9 a.m. Pre-registration will be at the community center and the fitness center from Monday through April 17. The race will start at the elementary school parking lot, T-233, and end at the recreation area at the military port. A free continental breakfast will be served following the race. Shuttle bus service will be provided to return participants back to the school parking lot. This event is open to U.S. and Portuguese military and civilians. For more information, call Anne Saul at Ext. 23143.

### Prenatal support group

If you have questions or concerns about your pregnancy or delivery options, we have the answer. Come and enjoy the prenatal support group, April 28 at 2 p.m. at the community center. For more information, call Tammy Ross at Ext. 25177.

### Tax tip

## Overseas filers gets extension

**1st Lt. Dane McKenzie**  
*Base tax advisor*

Living and working overseas entitles you to an automatic two-month extension of time to file your tax return (due date, June 15). If you owe taxes on your return and file after April 15 but before June 16, the underpayment penalty will be waived; however, you will be charged interest from April 15 to the date you file your return. To avoid this interest charge, you can file Form 4868 on or before April 15 and pay any estimated tax due on your return. Be sure to include this amount on Line 57 of Form 1040 as taxes paid in.

For more information on this or any other tax topic, call the legal center at Ext. 22420 or 22421.

### Family dinner night

The youth center will have family dinner night April 22 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the youth center. The cost is \$3 and \$1.50 for children under nine. The menu will be beef alcatra with french fries, dessert and a drink, all cooked by Francisco Mouro. Reservations can be made by April 17 by calling Ext. 23273.

### Easter egg hunt

The youth center is sponsoring an Easter egg hunt Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon at the elementary school. Children can also have their photos taken with the Easter Bunny.

## Pie-in-face bidding update

The 65th Civil Engineer Squadron pie-in-the-face contest is taking bids. Those with the highest price (votes) cast get the pie in the face. Call CE to add a name to the list or place a vote.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Votes</u>
Col. Segundo Pereira	6,000
Col. Rodney Gibson	4,000
Kevin Small	3,000
Chaplain Richard Novotny	2,400
Lt. Col. Charles Street	2,100
Andy Louder	1,950
Ruben Nadal	1,800

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Maj. James Hammes	1,700
Lt. Col. Roy Ruff Jr.	1,125
Col. Henry Childs	1,100
Lt. Col. Timothy Gaffney	1,000
Nelson Rutter	1,000



# Movies

All show times are at 7 p.m. unless indicated. Movies are subject to change without notice. Call Ext. 23302 for information. (V= violence; S=sex; D=drug use; L=language)



## Saturday

**Scream II**  
R (L•V) 120 min

• Neve Campbell and Courtney Cox. Two years later old friends are reunited and discover some secrets from the past are better left forgotten.

## Sunday

**Spice World**  
PG (L•S) - 93 min

• Richard E. Grant and the Spice Girls. A musical comedy following five days in the lives of the Spice Girls as they prepare for their first concert.

## Monday

**Great Expectations**  
R (L•S) - 111 min

• Ethan Hawke and Gyneth Paltrow. A modern version of Dicken's classic tale.

## Tuesday

**Blues Brothers 2000**  
PG-3 - 124 min

• Dan Akroyd and John Goodman. Elwood, the lone Blues brothers is released from prison and he reassembles the band to compete in a battle of the bands contest to win money for a children's hospital.

## Wednesday

**Scream II**  
R (L•V) 120 min

• See Saturday for details.

## Thursday

**Deep Rising**  
R (V) - 100 min

• Treat Williams and Famke Janssen. After computer programs on the luxury cruise ship Argonautica are deliberately erased, smugglers rush in ready to loot the ship. Instead they discover the ship has been struck by something big causing destruction and death.

## April 17

**Wag the Dog**  
R (L•V) - 120 min

• Dustin Hoffman and Robert DeNiro. When a scandal threatens a president's reelection, a spin doctor manufactures a crisis to draw attention from the vote situation.

## SATURDAY

0030 Showbiz Today  
0100 Sister Act  
0300 Shipwrecked  
0500 Headline News  
0530 ABC World News Tonight  
0600 CNN/SI  
0630 NBC Nightly News  
0700 Puzzle Place  
0730 Magic School Bus  
0800 Brand Spanking New Doug  
0830 Sylvester and Tweety  
0900 AAAH! Real Monsters  
0930 Bone Chillers  
1000 New Explorers  
1100 This Old House  
1130 Burt Wolf's Gatherings  
1200 Headline News  
1230 Navy/Marine Corps News  
1300 NHL Hockey - teams TBA  
1600 WWF Superstars  
1700 The Entertainers  
1800 Headline News  
1830 ESPNNews  
1900 Married With Children  
1930 Everybody Loves Raymond  
2000 News Radio  
2030 The Nanny  
2100 Headline News  
2130 PGA Golf - The Masters

## SUNDAY

0000 20/20  
0100 Saturday Night Live  
0230 Videolink  
0300 Return of the Native  
0500 Headline News  
0530 Hour of Power  
0630 On Main Street  
0700 Coral Ridge  
0730 Christopher Closeup  
0800 Gargoyles  
0830 Arthur  
0900 Walt Disney World Easter Parade  
1000 Dr. Quinn Medecine Woman  
1200 Headline News  
1230 Air Force TV News  
1300 Major League baseball - Atlanta at Philadelphia  
1600 JAG  
1700 Hercules  
1800 Major League soccer - Colorado at DC United  
2000 Gymnastics - International Team Championships  
2200 PGA Golf - The Masters

## MONDAY

0100 Headline News  
0130 Wall St. Journal Report  
0200 Computer Chronicles  
0230 America's Black Forum  
0300 Showtime at the Apollo  
0400 Friday Night  
0500 Meet the Press  
0600 Headline News  
0630 CNN/SI  
0700 Sesame Street  
0800 World of Richard Scary  
0830 Kiana Flex Appeal  
0900 Oprah Winfrey  
1000 Port Charles  
1030 Guiding Light  
1100 General Hospital

1200 Headline News  
1230 Wheel of Fortune  
1300 Today  
1500 What a Mess  
1530 The Mask  
1600 Captain Planet  
1630 Secret World of Alex Mack  
1700 Jeopardy  
1730 ESPNNews  
1800 Headline News/News 8  
1830 Navy/Marine Corps News  
1900 60 Minutes  
2000 Ellen  
2030 Frasier  
2100 New York Undercover  
2200 Headline News/News 8  
2230 Tonight Show with Leno  
2330 Late Show with Letterman

## TUESDAY

0030 Showbiz Today  
0100 Magnum Force  
0300 Bustin' Loose  
0500 Headline News  
0530 ABC World News Tonight  
0600 CNN/SI  
0630 NBC Nightly News  
0700 Sesame Street  
0800 Fraggle Rock  
0830 Fitness Beach  
0900 Oprah Winfrey  
1000 Port Charles  
1030 Guiding Light  
1100 General Hospital  
1200 Headline News  
1230 Wheel Of Fortune  
1300 Today  
1500 Sports Illustrated for Kids  
1530 All Dogs go to Heaven  
1600 Beakman's World  
1630 Saved by the Bell  
1700 Jeopardy!  
1730 ESPNNews  
1800 Headline News/News 8  
1830 Showbiz Today  
1900 Sliders  
2000 Dick Tracy  
2200 Headline News/News 8  
2230 Tonight Show with Leno  
2330 Late Show with Letterman

## WEDNESDAY

0030 Showbiz Today  
0100 The Entertainers  
0200 NBA basketball - Washington at NY Knicks  
0430 America's Funniest Videos  
0500 Headline News  
0530 ABC World News Tonight  
0600 CNN/SI  
0630 NBC Nightly News  
0700 Sesame Street  
0800 Sesame Street Special  
0830 Body Shaping  
0900 Oprah Winfrey  
1000 Port Charles  
1030 Guiding Light  
1100 General Hospital  
1200 Headline News  
1230 Wheel Of Fortune  
1300 Today  
1500 Where..is Carmen Sandiego  
1530 Happily Ever After  
1600 Power Rangers ZEO  
1630 Hidden Temple  
1700 Jeopardy!  
1730 ESPNNews  
1800 Headline News/News 8

1830 Showbiz Today  
1900 Sister, Sister  
1930 Home Improvement  
2000 Melrose Place - Season Finale  
2200 Headlines News/News 8  
2230 Tonight Show with Leno  
2330 Late Show with Letterman

## THURSDAY

0030 Showbiz Today  
0100 The Entertainers  
0200 NBA basketball - Chicago at Detroit  
0430 America's Funniest Videos  
0500 Headline News  
0530 ABC World News Tonight  
0600 CNN/SI  
0630 NBC Nightly News  
0700 Sesame Street  
0800 Fraggle Rock  
0830 Fitness Beach  
0900 Oprah Winfrey  
1000 Port Charles  
1030 Guiding Light  
1100 General Hospital  
1200 Headline News  
1230 Wheel Of Fortune  
1300 Today  
1500 Animaniacs  
1530 Goof Troop  
1600 Eerie, Indiana  
1630 Nick News  
1700 Jeopardy  
1730 ESPNNews  
1800 Headline News/News 8  
1830 Showbiz Today  
1900 Friends  
1930 Seinfeld  
2000 Just Shoot Me  
2030 Boston Common  
2100 ER  
2200 Headline News/News 8  
2230 Tonight Show with Leno  
2330 Late Show with Letterman

## APRIL 17

0030 Showbiz Today  
0100 Finian's Rainbow  
0330 Stand By Me  
0500 Headline News  
0530 ABC World News Tonight  
0600 CNN/SI  
0630 NBC Nightly News  
0700 Sesame Street  
0800 Sesame Street Special  
0830 Kiana Flex Appeal  
0900 Oprah Winfrey  
1000 Port Charles  
1030 Guiding Light  
1100 General Hospital  
1200 Headline News  
1230 Wheel Of Fortune  
1300 Today  
1500 Superman '96  
1530 Taz Mania  
1600 Global Guts  
1630 Space Cases  
1700 Jeopardy!  
1730 ESPNNews  
1800 Headline News/News 8  
1830 Showbiz Today  
1900 Nick Freno  
1930 Simpsons  
2000 Star Trek Deep Space Nine  
2100 X-Files  
2200 Headline News/News 8  
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